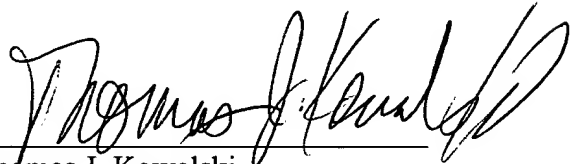


REMARKS

It is believed that no fee is required by entry of this paper, however, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any such fee, or credit any overpayment in fees, to Deposit Account 50-0230. Entry of this Preliminary Amendment and early examination on the merits is respectfully solicited.

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9. A retroviral vector [according to claim 9 which comprises at least one component from an equine lentivirus] derived from a lentivirus genome wherein the non-primate lentivirus genome lacks the *tat* gene but includes the leader sequences between the end of the 5' LTR and the ATG of *gag*.

10. A retroviral vector according to [any preceding claim] claim 9 which comprises at least one component from an equine lentivirus.

17. A cell transfected or transduced with a retroviral vector according to the retroviral particle obtainable from the retroviral vector of claim 9 or 15.